



FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 27, 1904.

THE INVESTIGATION by the Postoffice Department of the nature of patent medicines sold in the United States is attracting considerable interest. It is said that the department will not confine its crusade to the exclusion from the mails of patent medicines and nostrums where chemical analyses reveal premeditated fraud on the part of the manufacturers and distributors, but will include in its vigorous prosecution quack doctors as well. It is alleged that these unprofessional practitioners prey on the public through the medium of questionable advertisements and still more questionable literature, and the department believes that by issuing a fraud order against these individuals or concerns operating in distinct violation of the law a commendable and much needed reform will be wrought. It is said that the investigation of the patent medicine concerns had brought to light even greater frauds on the part of allied advertised "industries" and that the department proposed not only to continue but to extend its prosecution until, so far as practicable, all objectionable advertisements should be eliminated from the newspapers. The crusade is, of course, not intended to eliminate all patent medicines, as the formulas of some are published and shown to be harmless and doubtless efficacious in certain cases. It is the spurious compounds and such as are deleterious to the human system which the Postoffice Department is endeavoring to suppress. Several years ago a patent which had attained phenomenal favor was analyzed and found to contain a large percentage of opium. There is every reason to believe that some now on the market contain this drug as well cocaine and other baneful compounds.

THE REPUBLICAN leaders are greatly concerned at the political outlook and admit that discord in their party may lose the next House. The republican majority in the present House is thirty-four. At first it was only thirty, but George Howell, from the Scranton district, was thrown out to give place to Connell, and Shafroth, of Colorado, resigned upon discovering there had been fraud in his election. Both these men will undoubtedly be elected to the next Congress. This will leave the democrats only fifteen seats to gain in order to offset the republican strength. If the republican war continues in Illinois and Wisconsin, it is predicted even by republicans that it will cost the dominant party four seats in each State. The democrats count upon gaining three, at least, in New York. They figure on not less than two in West Virginia, where the republicans have been murdering each other in the intensity of their factional strife. They expect to gain the sole district in Virginia carried by the republicans in the last election, and have only one more to gain in all the other doubtful districts of the entire country now represented by republicans. With the aid of the republican discord it is more than probable that the democrats will not only win the House but the presidency, also, at the next election.

E. B. THOMAS, president of the Lehigh Valley Railroad, while before the Interstate Commerce Commission in New York yesterday said:

There can be no reduction in the present price of coal. Interference by politicians caused the great coal strike. Obligations imposed upon producers by the strike commission tend to keep up the selling price. Coal is not a necessity but a luxury. When the coal supply is exhausted electricity and natural gas will take its place. We will forget that such a thing ever existed. If coal is too expensive to mine, or if the price falls below cost of mining, who will mine it? Nobody.

This is a specimen of arrogance the consumer is compelled to hear from coal barons. The assertion that coal is not a necessity is a revelation in the face of the fact that people who were forced to burn wood two years ago found that coal at fifteen dollars a ton was the cheaper of the two commodities. Mr. Thomas intimates that it may be found necessary to cease mining coal, as it may be found too expensive. It will always remain profitable to mine it so long as the present prices hold.

AT ITS recent meeting Council made quite a liberal appropriation for the streets. It is hoped that some of this money, as soon as available, will be used in cleaning the streets and alleys, especially in the suburbs where people receive but little benefit for the taxes they pay. The city needs cleaning and this should be attended to at once—and it is a part of the duty of the police force to see that no objectionable matter is thrown into the public highways. The law governing such matters is a dead letter in Alexandria.

A RECESSION in the tide of property is visible, and as a result the wages of about 25,000 operatives are to be reduced ten per cent. by the Fall River Manufacturers' Association. The wages of oper-

atives in Philadelphia are also to be cut on account of the unsatisfactory condition of trade. Apart from this outlook, the railroads centering in Chicago and other western cities have made wholesale discharges on account of the falling off in transportation.

From Washington.

(Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.)

Washington, D. C., May 27.

The President has appointed Commander Samuel W. B. Diehl to succeed Captain Samuel C. Lemly as Judge Advocate General of the Navy, when the latter's term expires June 3.

All star route carriers, contractors and mail messengers carrying mails between postoffices and railroad stations and steamboat wharves have been ordered paid monthly instead of quarterly, beginning July 1.

General John C. Black, commander of the G. A. R., will deliver the oration at the Memorial Day exercises at Arlington next Monday.

George F. Ormsby, a local attorney, this morning filed an application with Secretary Moody of the navy asking that Judge Advocate S. C. Lemly be brought to court martial on charges of falsehood and inefficiency. Ormsby alleges that in sending a case up to the Supreme Court wherein an order for advancement on the calendar was recently made Captain Lemly deliberately falsified the record.

Bishop J. C. Mills, of the United Brethren Church, in the course of an address before the Methodist Protestant General Conference in its session this morning said that the hearts of his people were with the M. P. Church in its desire for union. He also said that it was a source of great satisfaction that the committee on church union had presented a report that met with such enthusiasm. The sympathy of the United Brethren was with the M. P. Church in its work and undertakings. He declared that there was a great advantage in union and that it would enable them to stand firmer against false spiritualism. In closing he deplored the interest that was manifest in spiritualism, Christian Science and other similar institutions.

On recommendation of Director North of the census bureau, Secretary of Commerce and Labor Cortelyou has appointed Hon. Carroll D. Wright, Commissioner of Labor; Prof. Walter F. Willcox, of Cornell University; Dr. Davis R. Dewey, of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and Dr. Henry Cannett, of the United States Geological Survey, as a special committee to advise with the director of the census upon the scope and the methods of the thirteenth census of the United States.

At today's Cabinet meeting Secretary Wilson told the President that he believed the Agricultural Department was at last on the track of a boll weevil exterminator. It is a large brown ant found in Guatemala. Secretary Taft arranged with the President for a reception to the delegation of Filipinos, some forty or fifty in number, that will be in Washington on June 9. Secretary Moody informed the Cabinet that hereafter there will be no appeal from the decisions of the medical examining board at Annapolis.

A cable from Rome says: Cardinal Satolli, when in Washington, will request an audience of President Roosevelt.

The State Department today received official advice of the capture of Kin Chow by the Japanese from Minister Grieson at Tokyo. He adds that the Japanese are moving on Port Arthur from that point.

Intimations have been received here that Venezuela, in opening four new customs ports, is working a scheme against the preferred creditors who received their preference through blockade of Venezuelan ports upheld by the Hague tribunal. It is a significant fact that the new ports are not included among those from whose receipts the preferred claims are to be paid.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES

The Presbyterian General Assembly at Buffalo, N. Y., has voted in favor of union with the Cumberland Church.

Louis Rotham, a wealthy meat dealer of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., committed suicide in his butcher shop this morning by hanging himself. He had been suffering from insomnia.

Notices have been placed in the mills of the Bigelow Carpet Company, at Lowell, Mass., announcing a shut down next week on account of lack of orders. Twenty-three hundred hands will be affected.

A man who registered as E. C. Jones, of Harrisburg, Pa., committed suicide in his room at the Hotel Allen, Allentown, about 3 o'clock this morning by shooting himself through the head with a revolver.

Fire of unknown origin destroyed the Farmers' Hotel, at Lawton, Oklahoma, today, and caused the death of John Brannon and Patrick McCabe, section foremen. McCabe sacrificed his life trying to save his friend Brannon.

Shortly after noon today an altercation occurred between Charles Thompson and Walter Brown, employees at the Alexandria Brick Works, both colored, during which the former cut the latter on the neck and face with a razor. The police are on the lookout for Thompson.

The village of New Liberty, Hope county, Ill., was destroyed by a cyclone last night. Not a building was left standing. No lives, however, were lost.

The Picket Victorious.

Coming down the rail in the last few strides of the run to the wire the Picket, the West's champion in the Brooklyn Handicap, snatched victory from the favorite, the ever-popular Irish Lad, the Brooklyn winner of last year and the Metropolitan winner of this year. It was scarcely more than the nod of a head, but the hardy westerner finished stronger than the Duryea colt, whose terrific pace with Hernis up to the home stretch would have tried to the utmost the stoutest of heart and the sturdiest of limb. Frantic cheers, which had been ringing from the throats of nearly 40,000 onlookers, died away when it was realized that Irish Lad had gone down to defeat. Proper, the California candidate, came through at the end and beat out Hernis for third place. The time for the mile was 1:39 2-5, and for the mile and a quarter 2:06 3-5, 1.5 seconds slower than the race record made by Irish Lad last year. The handicap was worth \$20,000, of which \$5,000 went to the second horse, and \$1,500 to the third.

Charlton T. Lewis, a well-known lawyer and editor of standard classical dictionaries, died at his home, in Morristown, N. J., yesterday afternoon from cerebrospinal meningitis.

Captain C. Gray Bossieux, of Richmond, was last night elected major of the First Battalion of the Seventeenth Regiment.

News of the Day.

At Wilmington, N. C., yesterday Rev. Robt. Strange, D. D., rector of St. Paul's Parish, Richmond, was elected adjunct to Right Rev. A. A. Watson, D. D., bishop of the East Carolina district of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

An offer by C. H. Cramp to lay bare the secrets of the Cunard contracts with the English government created a stir among the representatives of maritime and commercial interests assembled before the Merchant Marine Commission yesterday in the Philadelphia Board of Trade.

The Methodist General Conference at Los Angeles, Cal., yesterday devoted its time to the election of the general conference officers, including publishing agents, secretaries and assistant secretaries of the various societies. In several cases the first ballot failed to show an election, and the second one was taken, the result of which will not be announced until today.

By a unanimous vote and amid great enthusiasm the Methodist Protestant Conference in Washington last night endorsed the proposition to begin negotiations looking to the amalgamation of the Congregational United Brethren and Methodist Protestant churches. But in spite of the overwhelming sentiment in favor of amalgamation, there was great diversity of opinion on the method to be pursued in bringing about the desired end.

The Shan Khai Kwan correspondent of the London Daily Chronicle sends a report received from Nuchwang that on May 23, thinking that the Japanese had retired from Feng Wang Cheng, 15,000 Russians from Haicheng and Liaoyang marched toward Feng Wang Cheng. They were surprised by 30,000 Japanese in the Tatum Pass. The Russian casualties were 4,000 and over a thousand Russians surrendered. The report does not state the Japanese losses.

While suffering from nervous prostration, aggravated by fears that she had contracted serious lung trouble, which her family physician says were almost groundless, Miss Frances Louise Neser, 37 years old, cut her throat yesterday morning from ear to ear in the bathroom of her home in Baltimore. She used a large butcher knife, with which she was last seen in the kitchen preparing the meat intended for the midday meal of the family, and almost severed her head from her body.

In Baltimore yesterday the jury in the Eareckson-Radcliffe case, in which Mrs. Sallie C. Eareckson, of Stevensville, Kent county, sued Mrs. Anna (Nancy) Radcliffe, of Baltimore, widow of the late William H. Radcliffe, of Dorchester county, for \$40,000 damages for the alleged alienation of the affections of the plaintiff's husband, Thomas B. Eareckson, returned a sealed verdict in the Court of Common Pleas for \$7,500 in favor of the plaintiff. An appeal will be taken.

A dispatch from Cape Haytien says a serious battle was fought yesterday between the Dominican troops and the revolutionists at Esperanza, on the road from Monte Cristi to Santiago, near Mao. The revolutionists were victorious. Many were killed or wounded on both sides. General Raoul Cabrera, minister of war, who commanded the government troops, was killed. The revolutionists are before Navarette, where another battle will be fought. The United States cruiser Detroit and the gunboat Newport are off Monte Cristi.

MARYLAND DEMOCRATS.

The Maryland democratic convention met in Baltimore yesterday and selected its delegates to the St. Louis presidential nominating convention and designated the presidential electors for the party in that State.

The delegates chosen were: Delegates-at-large, Senator Arthur P. Gorman, Congressman J. F. C. Talbot, Treasurer Murray Vandiver, ex-Governor John Walter Smith.

Alternates-at-large, Gen. L. Victor Croughman, Mr. John P. Poe, Austin L. Crothers and John Keating.

Electors-at-large, ex-Governor Frank Brown, of Carroll county, and ex-Governor Elihu E. Jackson, of Wicomico county.

The platform adopted is understood to represent in a large sense the lines of policy which Mr. Gorman would suggest for the guidance of the national convention, and which he has in various speeches on the floor of the Senate indicated as at least his peculiar views on this subject. He himself heads the delegation to St. Louis, though in the convention he simply took the modest place of the leader of the Howard county delegation. The convention was harmonious and in complete control. The platform would require economy and retrenchment in public expenditures, the weeding out of fraud in governmental departments, a moderation of taxes and moderate tariff revision. The chief event of the convention was the response which Mr. Gorman made to the general call for a speech from him at the close of the business proceedings of the convention. In his remarks he disclaimed absolutely any ambition to promote his own personal ambition, as he said he aimed entirely satisfied with what the democracy had done for him. But he was willing, he said, to dedicate himself to the battle of democracy until the great central power at Washington was placed in the hands of the followers of Jefferson. The little State of Maryland, he added, with its great commercial interests, can in his judgment exercise power in bringing this about. Continuing he said:

I believe we shall be successful this year, but not without a contest—the greatest you have ever witnessed. We have a political foe well entrenched with all the power and paraphernalia of the government, with its thousands of officers, with a candidate already selected—a man, I might say, within bounds, who has made himself the master of his party. He was formerly of the school that did not believe in party organization. He had these views when he became president; but he is now the most partisan President we have had since the war. He recognizes his party and serves his party. I do not criticize him for that. I have an old-fashioned idea, and it is too late in life for me to get rid of it, that the man who has accepted a trust at the hands of his party, and who serves his party, is strong with his party and with the people. The man who disregards his party cannot succeed in shaping party policies.

The Market

Georgetown, May 27.—Wheat \$2.41, 40.

Virginia News.

Confederate Memorial Day services at Leesburg have been postponed until June 2.

Memorial Day was observed in Norfolk yesterday with exercises and a parade on a large scale. Major Robert W. Hunter was the orator.

R. B. Walker, of Waterford, has sold his farm, near Paeonian Springs, to Mr. Lionel Leadam, of New York, president of the Manassas Gap copper mines.

The death of Capt. Eugene D. De Jarnette occurred in Richmond yesterday. He was a captain in the Confederate signal service during the civil war.

Mr. and Mrs. William L. Heuser, of Haymarket, announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Miss Frederico Fitz Hugh to Mr. Gasquet di Zerega, of Aldie, Loudoun county, on June 15.

Mrs. Sally Burwell Nelson Williamson, widow of Mr. Thomas Williamson, died Wednesday, May 18th, at the home of her son, Mr. Robert R. Williamson, at Graham, in her sixty-eighth year. She was a daughter of Mr. Thomas Nelson, of Clarke county.

Virginia Newton, one of the most prominent and wealthy citizens of Richmond, died last night after a long illness from pneumonia. Mr. Newton was president of the First National Bank and connected with other large enterprises. He served in the Confederate navy with distinction.

James R. Grove, a farmer of the western part of Frederick county, died Wednesday evening as the result of being shocked by lightning; he was leaning against a tree when one opposite was struck. The shock rendered him unconscious for three hours. He was fifty-three years old and leaves a family.

Falling Spring farm, the Morgan homestead, about half a mile south of Shepherdstown, has been sold by the heirs of Col. William A. Morgan to Dr. M. H. Crawford, of Staunton. The place contains about 160 acres and the price paid was \$14,000. The farm is one of the historic old places of the Valley of Virginia.

The National Society of Colonial Dames of America has decided to erect a permanent memorial at Jamestown, to cost about \$5,500, and appointed a committee of three to decide upon the nature of the memorial. The society will be asked by the committee to erect a monument to John Smith. It is argued that Smith was the real founder of Jamestown and no memorial has ever been erected to his memory.

The work in Loudoun and Fauquier counties, under the Rev. T. C. Darst, has been divided. Johns parish, in Loudoun, which includes the churches in Middleburg, Aldie and Oatlands, will form one field, and Meade parish, including Upperville and the work at Trappe, will form another. The Rev. Mr. Darst will be in charge of the last named, and the Rev. James B. Walker, assistant at the Church of the Holy Trinity, Philadelphia, has been called to the former.

The State of Virginia is preparing to undertake the task of collecting some of the money appropriated by Joseph H. Shepherd, on motion of Attorney-General Anderson, John S. Eggleston was appointed committee of the estate of Shepherd. Shepherd is still in the penitentiary and will remain there for some months to come, unless the governor shall pardon him. Mr. Eggleston will make an inquiry into the possessions of Shepherd, and will undertake to collect the insurance policy held by Shepherd on the life of his wife. Mrs. Shepherd died during the last year. Shepherd, while a clerk in the office of the auditor, embezzled more than \$40,000.

Maryland Episcopalians.

The Protestant Episcopal diocesan convention of Maryland concluded its sessions in Baltimore yesterday by electing deputies and alternates to the General Convention, appointing standing committees and adopting a resolution that the amount which each church shall contribute for missions shall be suggested.

The following were elected: Clerical Delegates—Rev. J. Houston Eccleston, D. D., Rev. J. S. B. Hodges, S. T. D., Rev. Edwin B. Niver, Rev. William Meade Dams, D. D.

Lay—Mr. Joseph Packard, Mr. J. Wirt Randall, Mr. I. Thomas Jones, Mr. Bernard Carter.

The alternates are: Clerical—Rev. Robert S. Coupland, Rev. Percy Foster Hall, Rev. Arthur Chilton Powell, Rev. William H. H. Powers.

Lay—Mr. H. Irvine Keyser, Mr. Lloyd Lowndes, Mr. Edward N. Rich, Mr. Daniel M. Thomas.

The seven members who compose the standing committee of the church were elected as follows: Rev. J. Houston Eccleston, D. D., Rev. J. S. B. Hodges, S. T. D., Rev. William Meade Dams, S. T. D., Rev. Arthur Chilton Powell, Rev. William H. H. Powers, Rev. Peregrine Wroth, Rev. William Howard Falkner.

The Tibetan Expedition.

The British Tibetan expedition at Gyantse is isolated and no communication from it has been received for three days. Further reinforcements have been ordered to the front. For some days the position of the British mission at Gyantse of some 1,500 men, forming the escort of Colonel Younghusband, the political agent, has been seriously threatened by the Tibetans in spite of two battles, in which the natives were defeated with great loss. Gyantse, where the British force is now posted, in the interior of Tibet, is 100 miles from Lhasa, but there is the formidable Karo Pass intervening on the direct road. Here a large body of Tibetans posted themselves two days, marched from the British camp at Gyantse and held a wall built across the entrance of the pass with great tenacity. Then British Indian troops carried it by assault in a snow storm, but lost an officer, Captain Bethune, 3 killed and 21 wounded, a comparatively serious loss, considering the small numbers of the mission. The camp at Gyantse was also attacked by 700 Tibetans under a Lhasa general, the Tibetans losing 250 killed and wounded. Despite these reverses the last dispatches said that 20,000 native troops, many armed with modern rifles, were gathered around the post. Communications with Lhasa in the rear, were kept open until the last few days.

Today's Telegraphic News

The Freight Handlers' Strike.

New York, May 27.—The general strike conditions in the marine department of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad remain unchanged today. A general strike affecting all the employees in the marine district has been sent out by President Curran, of the International Freight Handlers' Union, and the striking freight handlers are waiting to see whether the order will be generally obeyed. The company has experienced no difficulty in filling the places of the striking freight handlers on the docks, but the efforts to fill the places of the striking tug boat firemen has not been so successful. All the Sound steamers from the eastward, arrived on time this morning, with cargoes and passengers. General Superintendent Shepard of the New York division of the New Haven road, said that the strike was over, so far as the company was concerned, and that conditions were normal. Mr. Shepard said: "All but one of our boats are in service. That makes seventeen of our own, besides three outside tugs and one steamboat. The embargo has been raised at the Harlem river yards, and in Jersey City, and we will move nearly every car from those places today. We expect to handle 3,000 cars today, and will tomorrow resume the handling of perishable freight." Several street scrimmages took place last night and this morning between the Italian strike breakers and the strikers but serious trouble was averted by the police.

Anti-Semite Riot.

Berlin, May 27.—Details reached here today of an anti-Semite riot at Chotyng, Bessarabia, which, in many respects, resembled the Jewish massacres at Kishineff, last year. According to the report, a mob of 3,000, composed of Russians, Armenians, Greeks, priests, workmen, students, and even children, suddenly attacked the Ghetto. They demolished the interior of the principal synagogue, and desecrated 18 smaller prayer houses. They then forced an entrance to the Jewish shops, and plundered the wares. Finally they stormed the homes of the Israelites, smashing the doors, and windows. The inmates were maltreated with sticks, their clothes were torn off, and, in some cases, the nude Jews were knouted and ducked in the Dniester. The women were subjected to the coarsest indignities, while Gentile women spat in the faces of the rabbis. Over 100 were injured while many are destitute and homeless. The authorities, after a long delay, dispatched mounted gendarmes to the place to quell the riot, and after a stubborn fight the Ghetto was cleared. The mob as they were driven shouted back threats that they would return and kill the Israelites. The Jews are in a panic stricken condition. Fearing a renewal of the attack, some have fled to Austria.

Senator Quay's Condition.

Beaver, Pa., May 27.—After the visit of Dr. Wilson to Senator Quay, this morning, the physician said that during the night there had been no alarming change in the Senator's condition. In fact he maintained there was no cause for alarm. From a neighbor of Senator Quay the statement came today that he believed the end of the patient is near. This informant talked with some of the household this morning, and took a much gloomier view than the physician. It was regarded as quite significant that the family have summoned from Washington, Mrs. Annie Pennypacker, who, while acting in the capacity of housekeeper, has been an intimate friend of the family for years.

Textile Operatives' Wages.

Fall River, Mass., May 27.—A movement in favor of a general reduction of 10 per cent. in the wages of cotton textile operatives of this city was set on foot at a meeting of the Fall River Manufacturers' Association yesterday. The executive committee was instructed to secure signatures binding the 35 corporations represented in the association to abide by a cut down in the schedule. The operatives, of whom 25,000 would be affected by a change in the pay schedule, are uneasy, and there is much strike talk, but should a cut be made it is thought the mill hands would eventually accept it.

An Important Conference.

Birmingham, Eng., May 27.—The Post has been in connection with King Edward's proposed visit to Kiel, for a regatta week, communications of a very important nature are passing between the Kaiser, King Edward and the Czar, which also have distinct reference to the situation in the far East. Despite official denials, it is believed the Czar personally does not hold by the official announcement issued in St. Petersburg three weeks ago, which stated that Russia would not tolerate intervention. It remains to be seen how far Nicholas can control the war party.

To Increase Production of Cotton.

Geneva, May 27.—The Cotton Congress in session here has resolved to send strong appeals to the various governments, asking them to assist in the increase of the production of the commodity which is absolutely necessary to meet the demands of the future of the cotton manufacturing industry. Special delegates will visit New York, New Orleans, Liverpool, and Alexandria, Egypt, and endeavor to obtain official and governmental prevention of market rigging by outside speculators.

New York Stock Market.

New York, May 27, 11 a. m.—The stock market this morning suffered considerably from absenteeism, caused by a desire to take advantage of the triple holiday. Business was extremely light and wholly without significance. First prices were irregular, but before the first hour was over quotations had snapped to a small extent. The changes in the railroad list were not deserving of special mention. The market continued listless after the first hour. But there was no pressure of sales.

The Youngest Baby.

Can readily digest and assimilate Borden's Eagle Brand Condensed Milk because the ewein, which is in ordinary cow's milk, undergoes physical alteration in the process of condensation, which makes it digest. It brings the result which every parent is looking for, viz., strong and healthy children.

CATSUP AND MUSTARD.—One barrel each of prepared Mustard and Catsup just received by J. C. MILBURN.

MORNING RAY CANNED CORN for sale at 12 cents a can by J. C. MILBURN.

PORT ARTHUR SURROUNDED.

Japanese Capture Kin Chow Castle—Russians Retreating.

Tokio, May 27.—Port Arthur is entirely enveloped. Admiral Togo has established a complete blockade around the southern end of Liao Tung peninsula while Japanese land forces have swept the Russians from their defenses west of Dalny, in the immediate rear of the port.

Rome, May 27.—The newspaper Secolo has a dispatch from Tokyo stating that Generals Kuroki and Oku, whose communication was reported to have been cut by the Russians, and General Kuropatkin are now working in conjunction along the Feng Huang Cheng road, making it impossible for Kuropatkin to attack either one separately.

London, May 27.—The Tokio correspondent of the Central News, in reporting the storming and taking of Kin Chow, thirty miles north of Port Arthur by the Japanese yesterday, says the fighting was practically confined to a duel between the artillery on both sides. The guns were fired hotly and without intermission for 5 hours. The fight began at dawn. Three Japanese warships in Kin Chow bay co-operated in the attack, firing heavy guns at the Russian positions. A Russian gunboat in Tallienwan bay tried to draw off some of the fire by attacking the left flank of the Japanese. At 10:40 a. m. the Japanese occupied Kin Chow castle, and are now endeavoring to push the retreating Russians from the southern heights.

London, May 27.—It is believed in military circles here that the next move of the Japanese army on the Liao Tung peninsula will be directed against Dalny. As long as that place remains in the possession of the Russians, an attack on Port Arthur is impracticable. The town must be taken from the rear, as little reliance can be placed on the fleet which is unable to enter the harbor, owing to the elaborate fields of mines strewn there by the Russians. Hitherto the Japanese have been unable to devote their attention to Dalny for fear the Russians would advance from Kin Chow and attack them in the rear. Kin Chow having been taken by the Japanese this danger no longer exists, and the Mikado's soldiers can now devote their whole time to Dalny.

Niuchwang, May 27.—The Russians declare that a Japanese battleship has been sunk by a Russian submarine boat, and that three craft of this class are now at Port Arthur, and another en route to Vladivostok by rail.

To Investigate Cause of Death.

Paris, May 27.—Pending the result of the official inquiry into the death of Allister Evans, who died in a hospital yesterday, as the result of a pistol wound, the general opinion is that the young man took his own life. The day after his arrival in Paris, with Mrs. Oreyague, several intimate friends spoke to him on the street. He gazed at them vacantly, not even recognizing who they were. The immediate family of the dead man express the belief that a crime was committed, but they do not deny that Allister's letters in which he demanded funds included threats of suicide. Mrs. Oreyague is prostrated by his death. The Evans family is dealing direct with the French authorities without intervention by the American consulate.

Women Assaulted.

A brutal assault, similar to two previous ones that have created a great stir in New Haven, Conn., took place Wednesday night. A well-dressed young woman was attacked in a dark street by a man supposed to be a negro. The assault was committed near the place where the daughter of Professor Richards, of Yale, and Augusta Peterson, a domestic, were recently attacked. In the assault Wednesday night almost exactly the same methods were employed by the assailant as marked the other two cases. The man grabbed the woman from the rear, putting his hands over her mouth and throwing her to the ground. Her cries were heard for blocks around, and the man, becoming frightened, left the young woman on the ground, her clothes torn and face scratched. The young woman refused to give her name or to tell where she lived and would not give any aid to the police, excepting to tell which way the man went. The assailant escaped. The daughter of Professor Richards was assaulted last Thursday night and the assault on the Peterson girl took place about three weeks ago. Both young women were badly injured. Thomas S. Stewart, alias Ten Eyck, a colored man, was arrested last Wednesday night as a suspect and is held on the charge of drunkenness. His description corresponded with that given by the victims of the three assaults.

To Cut Wages.

The Philadelphia Ledger says: "With thousands out of employment by an almost total stagnation in the industry and the looms in a large number of mills working on half and three-quarter time, worsted yarn spinners in this city purpose to combine to cut down the operatives' wages to the basis of those paid in New England for similar work. This means a reduction of 15 per cent. in the earnings of about 20,000 spinners. In addition to the proposed reduction in wages, several of the largest spinning firms, who are running their mills on full time, intend reducing their hours to two-thirds time next Monday. A number of mills have taken such action already and are working on an average of 8 hours a day, as against 10 and 12 hours when business is normal."

The Marr Monument.

The arrangements for the monument dedication on Wednesday, June 1st, have been perfected. The poem will be by Dr. H. M. Clarkson, and the principal address by Attorney General Wm. A. Anderson. The address will be followed by short speeches by Governor Montague, Senator Daniel, Gen. Hunton, Hon. John Gode, Judge Grimley, Maj. Hunter, General Fitzhugh Lee, Congressman Lamb, ex-Representative Tucker and others. Mr. Thos. Nelson Page, the distinguished author and the brother of Rev. Frank Page (who is well known in this country), expects to be at the dedication ceremonies. Hon. John F. Ryan, Speaker of the House of Delegates, will also be present. —[Fairfax Herald.

The Berlin Lokal Anzeiger reports that Prince Jaime of Bourbon, son of Don Carlos, the Spanish pretender, has been wounded in an engagement near Liao Yang. No particulars are given.

FOREIGN NEWS.

Cardinal Satolli left Rome this morning for the first stage of his journey to the United States.

It was announced today that the coronation of King Peter of Serbia has been fixed for the last three days in August.

Friedrich Siemens, the great manufacturer and member of the famous firm of Siemens Brothers & Co., limited, died in Berlin today.

Albert Hall, in London, one of the largest auditoriums in England, has been secured for the proposed wrestling match for the Græco-Roman championship of the world between Tom Jenkins, the American champion, and Hackenschmidt, the European champion. The hall has a seating capacity of 20,000.

Djettat Pasha arrived at Vienna today accompanied by a number of conspirators who escaped from Constantinople after a plot to assassinate the Sultan of Turkey arranged by them had been discovered. Djettat, who headed the plot, says that their scheme would have been carried out but for the fact that secret correspondence to Felin Pasha, chief of the palace police, had betrayed their plans. Other conspirators were also in the plot, but took active part in the arranging of the conspiracy.

Burgess Monument.

The Burgess monument, a gift of the Washington Branch of the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities, was unveiled at Williamsburg yesterday with appropriate ceremonies. Rev. W. A. R. Goodwin, of Richmond, offered prayer, and President Lyon G. Tyler, of William and Mary College, made a brief address of welcome, and introduced Dr. Thomas Nelson Page, who presented the monument.

The tablet was unveiled by Dr. Tyler, after which a psalm was read by Dr. John Leslie Hall. A large excursion party of distinguished people from Richmond attended.

The monument is severely plain and is more substantial than beautiful.